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February 9, 2011

The Honorable Julius Genachowski  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
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**Re: WT Docket No. 10-83  
FCC File Nos. 0004153701, 000414435**

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I am writing to urge the Commission to render a decision on the above-captioned applications filed by the Southern California Regional Rail Authority to obtain spectrum for use to provide Positive Train Control functionality.

As you may know, the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008 mandated development and implementation of Positive Train Control on "Class I" and passenger railroads. Congress mandated this important public safety technology shortly after the tragic railroad accident in September 2008 in Chatsworth, California. Because this technology has the potential to prevent these sorts of accidents from occurring, the Southern California Regional Rail Authority has committed to use its best efforts to comply with the mandate by December 31, 2012. However, time is of the essence due to the substantial amount of time that will be required for system design, ordering and installation of equipment, and testing. These important steps cannot occur without a grant of the applications from the Commission.

In light of the important public safety benefits that will result from the implementation of Positive Train Control technology, I respectfully urge the Commission to promptly complete the processing of the above applications. I look forward to working with you on this and other important issues in the future.

Sincerely,

GARY G. MILLER  
Member of Congress

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March 29, 2011

The Honorable Gary G. Miller  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2349 Rayburn House Office Building  
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Dear Congressman Miller:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (RRA) applications to acquire and use spectrum for a positive train control (PTC) system. I appreciate the important public safety goals of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008, including timely implementation of PTC by applicable rail systems. The Commission has been active on many applications to implement PTC systems and strives to conclude each expeditiously.

The Southern California RRA applications are the subject of petitions to deny, which prompted the Commission to request additional information from the parties. Commission staff is reviewing the responses carefully, along with the applications and allegations raised in the pleadings, and will complete its work as soon as possible. I will ensure that your letter is included in the record of the proceeding.

I appreciate your bringing this matter to my attention. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Julius Genachowski", is written over the printed name. The signature is stylized with long, sweeping strokes.

Julius Genachowski